

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, please replace the first full paragraph with the following rewritten paragraph:

The invention relates to a, ~~distribution device in accordance with the preamble of claim 1, and to a distribution device, in accordance with the preamble of claim 18.~~

On page 1, please replace the fourth full paragraph with the following rewritten paragraph:

This task is accomplished, according to the invention, by means of a distribution device ~~having the characteristics of claim 1, and by means of a distribution device having the characteristics of claim 18, respectively~~ in accordance with the invention.

On page 9, before the heading "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS" added by Applicants' October 20, 2008 Preliminary Amendment in RCE, please add the following new paragraphs:

FIG. 10 shows an embodiment in which a line is folded in the distribution trough.

FIG. 11 shows an embodiment in which a power supply chain is folded in the distribution trough.